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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION ON THE OAS, JUNE 28, 2005

1. On 06/28 the Tegucigalpa-based liberal daily "La Tribuna" published an editorial entitled "Teeth." "Surely unemployment, gang growth, Pueblo-Panama Plan and immigration issues will be the main subjects of the Central American Summit and will also have the participation of the presidents of Mexico, Colombia, IBD and the OAS' and ILO's Secretaries General."

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"In informal meetings the predominant subject, after what happened in Ecuador and Bolivia, will be the situation in Nicaragua. Mr. Enrique even considered moving forward the elections but last weekend he withdrew his decision and will finish out his governmental term."

"Perhaps this is a great opportunity to consider what these countries can do to discourage these falls. Perhaps together they can decide to take matters to the OAS in order to qualify the recognition that would be given to a government that rises this way."

"In Nicaragua the situation has deteriorated to a point where Congress and the Executive power didn't even sit down to talk things through, ignoring the mediation efforts by the OAS Secretary General. Dialogues function well until patience bursts and the parties have gotten to an irreconcilable position and don't even want to talk to each other. In these cases teeth measures are necessary to obligate them to look for ways out that are not based on whim."

Palmer